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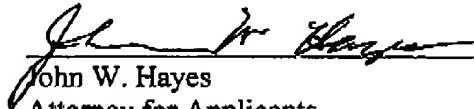
REMARKS

1. The Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's allowance of claims 1, 3, 4, 7 through 18, 34, 36, 37, 39, and 40.

2. The Examiner has rejected independent claim 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Bharatia et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,615,037). Please cancel claim 20 and claims 21 through 33, which depend ultimately therefrom.

4. The Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 3, 4, 7 through 18, 34, 36, 37, 39, and 40 should now be passed to issuance. If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney.

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